Courses of deemed universities

2780. SHRI A.K. PATEL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether UGC approved deemed universities can start any regular professional/traditional courses at his own campus without U.G.C.'s permission;

(b) whether Government have any control over the intake capacity of each course run/offered by the deemed university; and

(c) whether the University Grants Commission has power to derecognise deemed universities if necessary?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a)to(c) The appropriate authorities, such as Academic Council, of Universities and institution 'Deemed to be University' are free to decided on stating of any course of study, subject to maintaining the standards laid down by the University Grants Commission and other relevant Statutory Authorities.

The institutions declared as 'Deemed University' are required to observe the standards prescribed by the Statutory Authorities for different courses in terms of infrastructure, qualification of teachers etc. vis-a-vis their intake capacity.

In order to fulfill its mandate of maintenance of standards of higher education, Government of India, on the recommendation of the University Grants Commission, can de-notify such institutions declared as 'Deemed to be University', which do not maintain the standards of eduction.

Jurisdiction of universities

2781. DR. A.K. PATEL : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the Jurisdiction of the Central University, State University and deemed university;

(b) whether a State University can affiliate the college/institute situated, in other States with the approval of UGC and the State Government where the college is situated;

(c) the name of the 'State Universities' who have given permission to give affiliation to the colleges situated in the other States; and

(d) the status of SNDT Women's University, Mumbai in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) The Jurisdiction of universities are stipulated in their respective Acts and that of institutions deemed to be Universities are contained in the relevant notification under Section 3 of the UGC Act.

(b) A state university can affiliate a college/institute situated in other State if its Act provides for such a provision. However, a recent judgement of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the mater of private universities of Chhattisgarh, has ruled that provision in the State Act for off-campus centres outside the State was beyond the legislative competence of the State legislature.

(c) and (d) The SNDT Women's University, Act provides for affiliation of Colleges outside Maharahstra subject to no-objection of the concerned State Government and the University in whose jurisdiction, such Colleges are located.

Negative impact of free education to Girls

2782. SHRIMATI SYEDA ANWARA TAIMUR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that managements of the privately-run CBSE schools are worrying because of the decision taken by Government to provide free education to all the girl students who are "Single child" in their family;

(b) to avoid a financial crisis, such schools may discourage girl student's admission, which would lead to low literacy rate of women in future; and

(c) if so, the steps Government have taken to monitor strictly and to ensure girl student's admission?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a)Afew